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I would like to encourage all parties involved in the settlement negotiations to do everything in their power to come to full agreement on all remaining issues. I personally feel the downturn in the economy, which started declining about the time the government started their antitrust proceedings, is in large part due to the uncertainty created by the Government's pursuit of Microsoft over the last couple of years. Microsoft has done tremendous good for individual consumers, for business and for our overall economy. Claims that the consumer has been hurt are ludicrous--I believe there are very few consumers who believe this. If Microsoft's competitors developed comparable products and marketed them in the outstanding manner Microsoft has, then these antitrust pursuits would not have been necessary. I applaud the Federal Government's efforts in reaching a settlement and hope the remaining few states will see the wisdom in reaching a quick resolution of all remaining issues.

Please everyone, let's put our Government resources where most needed--fighting domestic and international terrorism and bringing our economy out of the recession--and let Microsoft keep developing their great products that allow individual consumers and small and large business to succeed in their endeavors. It's appalling to think about how much money has been spent on these legal proceedings--let's end it now. If I were a taxpayer in the remaining states that haven't settled, I would be beyond furious.

Thank you for your consideration of my feelings on this subject.

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